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COUNTRY China

SUBJECT Port Information on Chinwangtao

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Port Security

5. [redacted] boarded by approximately 15 customs officials and soldiers at Point No 2 of Enclosure (c). The ship was thoroughly searched and the radio, binoculars, cameras, etc were secured. The ship was searched upon entering the port and before departing. A guard was located at the gangway of the ship, and he would check the passes of all crewmembers when leaving and returning to the ship. A small guardhouse was located at Point No 5 and a guard was stationed here and checked for passes. All military personnel were dressed in blue uniforms having a red star on their caps.

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Dock Facilities

6. [redacted] Enclosure (c) is an overlay for H O chart 2512, Chinwangtao, China. The ship was unloaded in three days. Ship's gear was used at all times. The cargo was loaded on open railway flatcars. [redacted] the locomotive was an old US make. The cargo was stored at Point No 4. Encl (c) This is an open area and the sugar was stacked and covered with canvas tarpaulins.

7. Water is piped along the dock area and [redacted] obtained 200 tons of water while in port. [redacted] had taken aboard approximately one-half ton of food supplies, including fruit, vegetables, chickens and pork. A bill of lading for these supplies was not obtainable, but [redacted] they were relatively cheap. [redacted]

Military Information

8. [redacted] there were numerous soldiers in the town [redacted] did not observe any fortifications in the port or town area. No aircraft were seen in the Chinwangtao area while the Nine Sixis was in port.

General Information

9. [redacted] representatives of the Seamen's Club came aboard the ship and invited all crewmembers to a party. These representatives insisted that the crew be present at the party and approximately 50% of the crewmembers attended. [redacted] the Chinese provided a variety of foods for the crew. Tea was also served, but no liquor was furnished.
10. A short theatrical presentation was presented for the benefit of the crew. It was mainly of a propaganda nature, depicting life in Communist China. Propaganda literature was also given to the crew at this party.
11. [redacted] the Chinese customs officials informed [redacted] crew had permission to purchase anything while in Chinwangtao other than antiques and curios [redacted]
12. There were no public transportation facilities in the city other than rickshas. There were no liberty restrictions for the crew while in port. They were allowed free access to all parts of the town.

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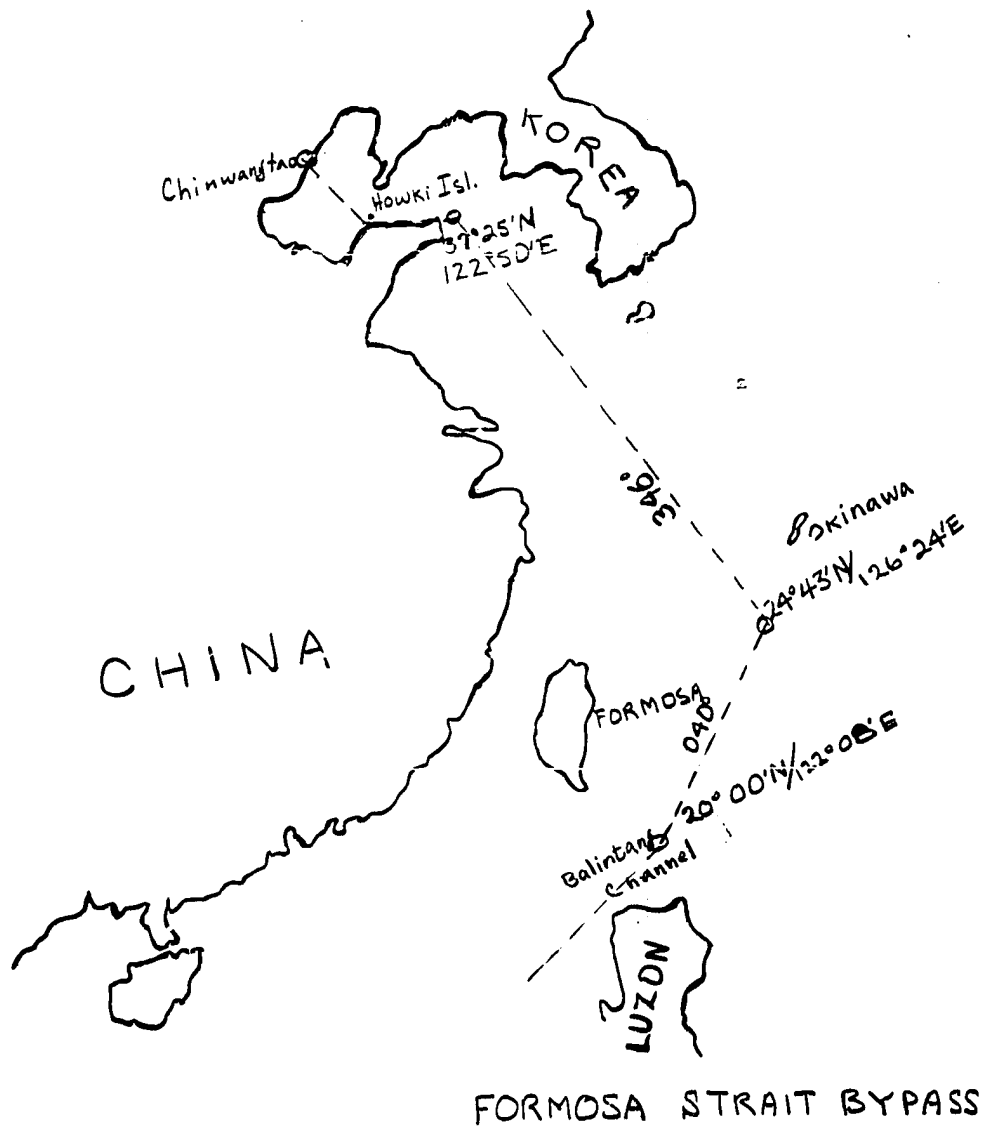
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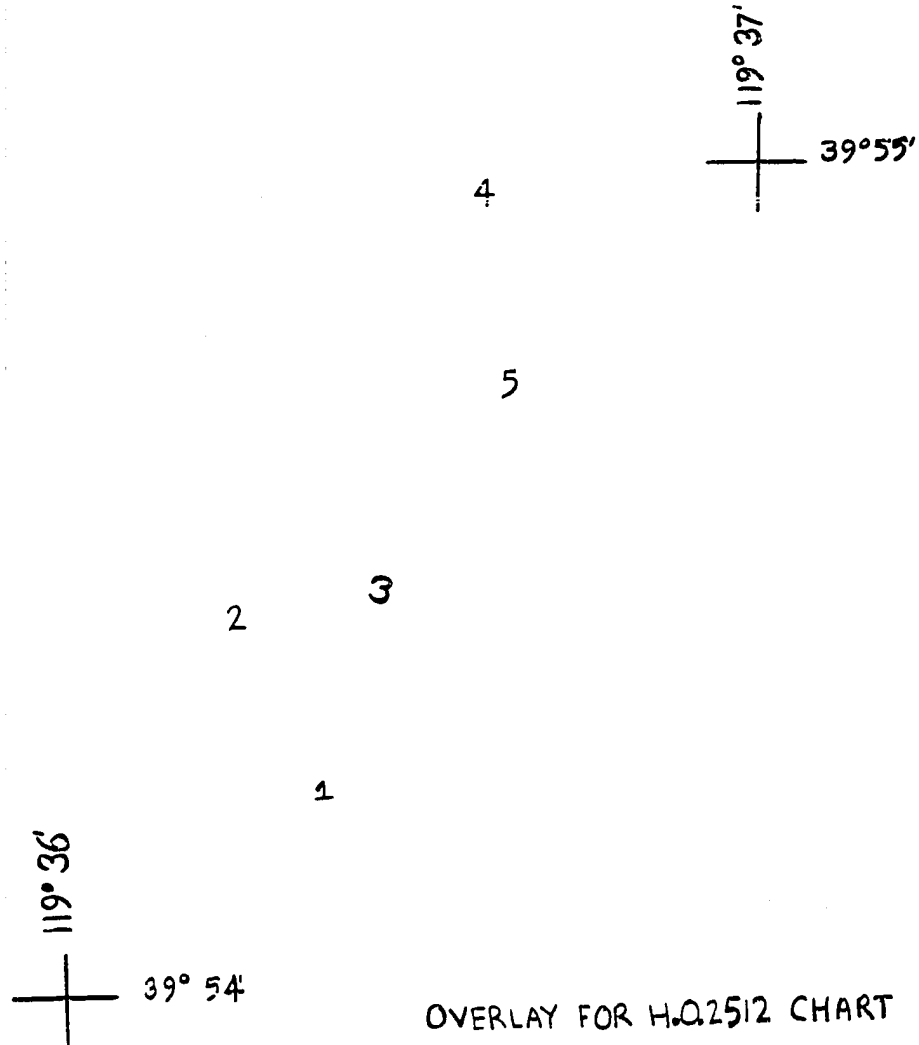
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